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The Gatekeeper

The offical newsletter of the

Barony of Unser Hafen

August 2026

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Baronial Bite

Greetings to Our fair (albeit extremely hot) Barony of Unser Hafen! We hope everyone is staying cool on these warm summer days!

There are some congratulations to give your fellow friends in Our Barony from the past few events. Huzzah to these deserving gentles.

- Newly minted Mistress Meadhbh for her elevation to the Order of the Pelican
- Lord Roland for a Nobel's Gratitude given for persistent and excellent service to Unser Hafen
- THL Gehbrute and his recognition as a Thegn of the Iron Heart
- Lady Sophia for being awarded a Stag's Blood and also for becoming provost to Mistress Dacia

Coming up on August 22nd is the long awaited Newcomers event, autocrated by Lord Gilbertus! We plan to have many activities such as classes and fighting and will indeed be a grand day. If you would like to help make this day incredible, please volunteer your time if you are able. We are looking for volunteers for gate, to help out at Dagny's sale, and to bring goodies to the potluck. Let's show the newcomers how welcoming we are!

Speaking of Newcomers, We need some opinions and information of Our populace. Please contact Us with your recommendations for the Rose d'Or and the Corona Gramanea. These are traditionally given out at Battlemoor, but the winds sent many people home early and We were unable to award these. We would like to award these at Newcomers, so if you have a gentle from Unser Hafen who was stalwart and brave upon the heavy or light fields, please tell Us of their valor so that they may be recognized!

Lastly, let it be known that We will be choosing Our archery champion on September 4-7 at Saint Sebastian's Archery Tournament in the Barony of Caerthe!

As always, please send Us award recommendations. If you do not know the name of the award, you can simply tell Us the gentle's name and tell Us of their deeds.

Always with love,

Kitta and Safiyya

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Seneschal's Sentiments

Greeetings Unser Hafen!

I hope everyone is staying cool as the Barony of Unser Hafen gets a little overcooked. We are doing our best to protect attendees at fighter practice from heat illness as the heat indexes soar. My thanks to those who are monitoring and cancelling practice when needed.

A lot of really great things happened at Battlemoor. Carrina and Bruce, the Blacksmith got Awards of Arms, Gehbrute was admitted into the Order of the Iron Hart and Sophia Rares

and Sharon of the Roses received Queen's Cyphers from HM Ingridr. Roland received the Nobles Gratitude from TE Safiyya and Kitta. And I have officially hatched, and I am now a Pelican. I hope everyone made it home with minimal wind damage.

Now that Battlemoor and Coronation are in the past, we can start thinking more about upcoming Unser Hafen events. Newcomers in August and Kingdom A&S Collegium in September. More information is available on our website. I am sure that both events are looking for any help you can offer.

Please remember, three officers' positions in the Barony need replacements: Chronicler, Webminister and Rapier Marshal. If you are interested in these positions, please contact them at chronicler@unserhafen.org, webminister@unserhafen.org and fence@unserhafen.org. You can contact me also if you have any questions.

Once again, I would like to remind everyone that much of our land is suffering from the lack of moisture so, PLEASE remember to take great care with fire. Or just avoid it all together. Too many of our neighbors have lost their homes. Summer isn't over yet.

Until we meet again, I remain yours in service,

Meadhbh

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Herald's Call

On summer hiatus.

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Scribal Notes

Scribal night is in a temporary location this month, but still happening! Come hang out and make scrolls with us! Materials and snacks provided.

UNC Gunter Hall room 2540
August 16th 6:30pm-9pm

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Fighter Practice

And A&S Gathering
Has moved to its summer location!
Sundays
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Dwayne Webster Veterans Park
400-422 W Eisenhower Blvd, Loveland 80537
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Medieval Night

First Monday of every month at
Peculier Ales
July 6, 2026 6-8 pm
Peculier Ales
301 Main Street
Windsor, CO 80550

Free Admission

Join us h for dancing, garb making,
arts and crafts,and general merriment.

Garb is encouraged but not required.

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Call for Submissions

Anyone can write for the Gatekeeper!

Do you have an article or story that you would like to share with the populace? Send it to chronicler@unserhafen.org and it will be reviewed for inclusion in the Gatekeeper.

Do you have something to share with the populace concerning an event or activity that you normally post to Facebook? Please forward that information to webminister@unserhafen.org and chronicler@unserhafen.org as well so that it can be posted using all of our communication.

Submissions are due by the 27th of the month (except February, when it is the 24th,) but are accepted at any time.

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Volunteer Opportunities

Get to really know your fellow gentles. Participate instead of just attend. Don't just live the dream. Be one of the ones who make the dream a reality.

Why do we help? Because we care. Because we love the game. Because we know we belong and so do you.

We are the doers, we are the makers, we bear the spirit of the Pelican. And so can you!

Build your renown, your competence, skills, confidence and make more friends who have the same chivalrous and generous heart as you.

Volunteer opportunities range from Event Stewards, Officers and Deputies, PayPal Check-ins, Event Cooks and staff. There are even some openings in the Media Team. The Chronicler and Web Administrators are looking for replacements. No experience necessary; training will be provided.
You will need to submit a Letter of Intent to apply.

How do you want to join the team? Let us know! There's room at the table for you too!

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Baronial Goings On

Armoured and Fencing Practice/ A&S Gathering
Sundays,2:00 p.m - 5:00 PM
See Fighter Practice section above for location.
We welcome any and all Arts & Sciences activities, and general SCA socializing!
Updates can be found on the Book of Faces.
Garb is encouraged but not required.

Archery Practice
Archery practice is every Saturday unless cancelled due to conflicts (such as local events). Practice will be at our winter

Dance Practice
Monday, February 23rd· 6:30 – 8:30pm
UNC Campus
1710 9th Ave, Greeley
Gunter Hall Gym Map

Equestrian Practice
Fourth Sunday of every month.
Contact: Lady Cecelia O'Connor
970-420-6652

Scribal Night
Every 3rd Monday at 6:30PM at the home of Lady Regalis dei Falchi, 5318 Ravenswood Lane, Johnstown, CO,

location starting November 1st.
Rocky Mountain Archery
4518 Innovation Dr, Fort Collins, CO
8052Find us in the "Unser Hafen Archers" group on Facebook for any short notice changes to the schedule.

Calligraphy &/or Illumination
Contact: Regalis dei Falchi
Email:scribe@unserhafen.org

Craft Day at Aslief's
Every first Saturday, May through October.
10 am to 6 pm.
1601 Turkey Walk Trail
Loveland, CO 80537

(map) or virtually - check the Book of Faces for links to the meetings.

For more information contact scribe@unserhafen.org.

Going on in Sterling

Archery Guild
12 noon every Sunday at
North Sterling State Park Range
24005 Co Rd 330
Sterling, CO 80751

For more details, contact Shelbybrandes1@gmail.com or Alan.e.brandes@gmail.com.

Visit the Website for more info, directions and any changes to the schedule for any of these activities. .

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Disclaimer

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

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Upcoming Events

Unser Hafen Newcomers Festival & War Practice
August 22 @8:00 am --
August 23 @ 2:00 pm
Spring Canyon Community Park --
Creekside Shelter
3156 S Overland Trail
Fort Collins, CO
Event Website

St. Sebastian's Archery

Kingdom A&S Collegium
September 19 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Northern Colorado University Center
2101 10th A enue
Greely, CO
Event Website

Enduro of the Dead
September 25 @ 3:00 pm -
September 27 @ 12:00 pm
South Platte Valley Historic Park

September 4@ 2:00 pm --
September 7 @ 4:00 pm
Antelope Run
36725 Fiddleback Ranch Circle
Kiowa, CO 80117
Event Website

2001 Historic Pkwy, Fort Lupton, CO
Event Website

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Check the Unser Hafen website or The Book of Faces for additional upcoming events and locations.

Populace Meeting

Virtual Populace Meeting

The third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm except for
Quarterly Gatherings/ Populace Meetings
Held in person at location to be announced.
Come and enjoy food and fellowship, along with a little business.

Join with Google Meet: meet.google.com/fbz-auqx-iqi
Join by phone: +1 929-282-1162 PIN: 667 226 830#

For questions, contact seneschal@unserhafen.org

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Kingdom Calendar

Please visit
https://www.outlands.org/events
for the most up-to-date information.

Court of Unser Hafen

Her Excellency
Baroness Kitta Ragnvaldsdottír
baroness@unserhafen.org

Her Excellency
Baroness Safiyya bint Faris al Dani
baroness@unserhafen.org

Court Herald - Master Don Andreas von Meißen
Defender - Lady Sophia Rares
Protector - Lady Ylva
Warden - Lord Alain du Chateau
Equerry - Hancarata Aethnen filia Cuneddae
Arts & Sciences Champion - Lord Gilbertus
Pencerdd Bard - Lady Aelia Dryantilla
Heads of Household - THL Cecilia Caterina de Firenze and Lord Eilifr Breiðskeggr

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Call for Letters of Intent

Captain of Archers
Call for Letters of Intent for Captain of Archers. Must be warranted as Archery Marshal. Coordinates and oversees archery practice. Collects waivers as needed. Responsible for maintenance and availability of loaner gear. Will report to the Kingdom Earl Marshal and Baronial Seneschal. Responsible for maintenance and availability of loaner gear.

Chronicler
Call for Letters of Intent for the position of Chronicler, who creates and distributes this newsletter, using a free MailChimp account. Maintains a list of subscribers in MailChimp. Also responsible for any graphics needed using Inkscape (free).
The monthly Gatekeeper usually takes an hour or two to update. Creating headers and graphics takes a few hours once or twice per year.

Web Administrator
Call for Letters of Intent for the position of Web Administrator, who:
Updates and maintains WordPress website per requests by officers as necessary.
Adds new events and update events on Barony's website and Google Calendar.
Quickly updates Archery, Fighter Practices and/ or other Activities on the calendar upon request.
Keeps a list of website changes and fills in a website report every month for the Kingdom Web Ministry.
Emails Chronicler website changes they might need to know to update the newsletter.
Updates Officers/ Court pages and transfers position's email as new people take officer and court positions.
Attends Populace Meetings and gives Webminister reports when prompted by the Seneschal during the meeting.

Attends Kingdom Web Ministry quarterly meetings.

For All Positions

In your letter please include:

- A brief introduction to yourself, including your experience within the SCA and those skills you possess which make you a good candidate.
- Confirmation that you are indeed interested and desirous of the position.
- Optionally, you can provide a listing of awards you have received.
- Your modern name
- Your society/ SCA name.
- Your postal address.
- Your telephone number.
- Your email address.
- A copy of your membership card or membership number.

Officers must maintain SCA membership for the duration of their tenure.

Please send your letter to the following:

- The Unser Hafen Seneschal, Baroness Meadhbh Daingen int Slébh, via seneschal@unserhafen.org
- The Unser Hafen Baronesses Kitta and Safiyya, via baroness@unserhafen.org

Thank you for volunteering to help run our Barony!

More information can be found at: here.

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Baronial Officers

Seneschal:
President
Baroness Meadhbh Daingen Int Slebhe
seneschal@unserhafen.org

Chancellor of the Exchequer:
Treasurer
Lord Galen FitzThomas
[Mistress Ursula d'Arcy]
exchequer@unserhafen.org

Barbican Pursuivant Herald:
Assists members with names and devices
Kurios Hilarion Angelos Akropolities
herald@unserhafen.org

Scribe:
Creates award scrolls
Lady Regalis dei Falchi
[Lord Galen FitzThomas]
scribe@unserhafen.org

Knight Marshal:
Martial Arts Coordinator
Sir Uchtred Leifsson
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Captain of Archers:
Archery Coordinator
Jarl Freana Geardson
[Earl Mika Longbow]
aarchery@unserhafen.org

Marshal of Fence:
Fencing Coordinator
Don Martin de Cuniga
[Maksym Wilozynski]
fence@unserhafen.org

Equestrian:
Coordinates the organization and safety of equestrian activities.
Lady Cecelia O'Connor
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Development of Arts and Sciences
Lady Ásleif Valdísardóttir
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Chronicler:
Creates this newsletter
Lady Caillech dhe Silvertongue
chronicler@unserhafen.org

Web Administrators
Maintains the website
Ladies Laurel M. & Valerie F.
webministerl@unserhafen.org

Social Media Officer
Manages social media accounts such as Facebook
Lady Lewena de Galwedia
socialmedia@unserhafen.org

Chatelaine/ Gold Key:
Public Relations and Welcome Coordinator
Proviides loaner garb for newcomers
Lord Gilbertus de Messina
[Lady Caírech Liath ingen Alpin]
chatelaine@unserhafen.org

Quartermaster:
Maintains and tracks equipment and assists Event Stewards with access to the storage unit.
Lady Laurel M.
quartermaster@unserhafen.org

{Deputies are listed in brackets.}

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Awards and Recognitions

Hype your friends!

If it takes work, there's probably an award for it.
Information on how and why to recommend someone for an award and instructions on how to do so is available on the website.
A list of Baronial Awards can be found here.
A list of Kingdom Awards is available here.

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